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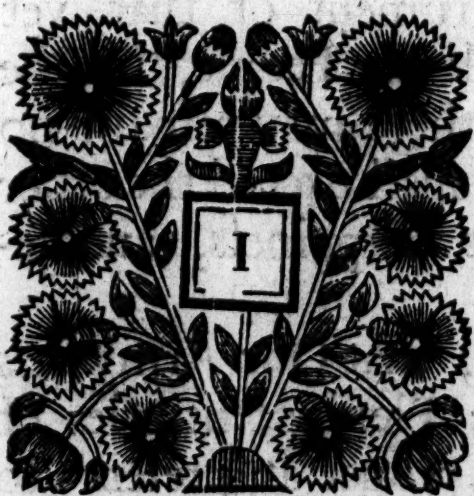
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My Lords and Gentlemen,



T is with great Satisfaction, that I come hither at this Time, to return you My hearty Thanks for the many Marks of Duty and Affection which you have given Me thro' the whole Course of this Sessions.

And I am to Thank you, *Gentlemen of the House of Commons*, in a very particular manner, for the Great Dispatch which you have made in Providing, so Early in the Year, such Great and Effectual Supplies for the Publick Service; This cannot but make Me very desirous to repeat the Assurances I gave you at the Opening of the Session, that they should be very Carefully Apply'd to the Uses for which you have designed them.

My Lords and Gentlemen,

I cannot sufficiently express to you My great Concern, that you have had so necessary an Occasion of taking up a great part of your Time towards the latter End of this Session.

I am confident, no Prince that ever sat upon the Throne has been more really and sincerely Kind to the Church than My Self, nor ever had a more True and Tender Concern for

its Welfare and Prosperity than I have, and always shall continue to have.

The Suppressing Immorality, and Prophan and other Wicked and Malicious Libels, is what I have always earnestly recommended, and shall be glad of the first Opportunity to give My Consent to any Laws that might Effectually conduce to that End : But this being an Evil complained of in all Times, it is very Injurious to take a Pretence from thence to Insinuate that the Church is in any Danger from My Administration.

I could heartily wish, that Men would study to be Quiet, and do their own Business, rather than Busie themselves in Reviving Questions and Disputes of a very high Nature, and which must be with an ill Intention, since they can only tend to Foment, but not to Heal Our Divisions and Animosities.

For My own part, as it has pleased God to give Success to My Endeavours for the Union of My Two Kingdoms, which I must ever esteem as one of the greatest Blessings of My Reign ; so I hope His Divine Goodness will still continue favourable, and make Me the happy Instrument of that yet more desirable Union of the Hearts of all My People, in the Bonds of mutual Affection, That so there may remain no other Contention among you, but who shall exceed the other in Contributing to advance Our present Happiness, and secure the Protestant Succession.

Finding, by the Advices from Abroad, that Our Army has not yet taken the Field, and that the Plenipotentiaries of France are still in Holland, I think it proper at present to make the Prorogation but for a very short time.

*Then the Lord Chancellor, by Her Majesties Command,
said,*

My Lords and Gentlemen,

HER Majesties Royal Will and Pleasure is, That this Parliament be Prorogued to *Tuesday* the Eighteenth Day of this Instant *April*, and this Parliament is accordingly Prorogued to *Tuesday* the Eighteenth of this Instant *April*.

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